

# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HB 2461

lifespan respite care; program termination Prime Sponsor: Representative Brophy McGee, LD 28

**DP** Committee on Health

**DP** Caucus and COW

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### **OVERVIEW**

HB 2461 extends the Lifespan Respite Care Program's (Program) termination date to July 1, 2025.

#### **PROVISIONS**

- 1. Extends the Program's termination date to July 1, 2025.
- 2. Clarifies that the Program is for primary caregivers of individuals who do not currently receive other publicly funded respite services

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

A.R.S. § 46-172 states that the Department of Economic Security (DES) must establish a program for primary caregivers of individuals who do not currently qualify for publicly funded respite services. Additionally, DES must coordinate with other respite services and support the growth and maintenance of a statewide respite coalition. The Program must also conduct a study on the need for respite care and help identify local training resources for respite care providers. In addition, the Program must link families with respite care providers and create an evaluation tool for recipients of respite care to assure quality of care. Currently, the Program sunsets on July 1, 2017.